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DETAILED ACTION

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Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 19, 22-23, and 33-49 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 101

2. 35 U.S.C. 101 reads as follows:

Whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement thereof, may obtain a patent therefor, subject to the conditions and requirements of this title.

3. Claims 19, 33, 36-40 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Claim 33 being directed to a data structure per se and computer program per se do not fall within any of the four statutory classes of new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter or any new and useful improvement thereof. While examiner agrees with applicant previously argument, in the response of 10/12/05, that because it claims a data structure stored on a computer-readable medium that increases computer efficiency is statutory; however it is

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not persuasive the computer-readable medium and data structure as recited in claim 33 increases computer efficiency because claim 33 do not clearly recite performing any post-computer. process activity or pre-computer process activity, it merely states that the header field is to identify the data structure as a provisioning document, the declaration field is to declare a configuration change to be made on a device, and the query field is to query the settings which do not have any limitation to a practical application. Although claim 33 recite the query field being passively transformed to a declaration field when the data structure is processed on the device, it is not persuasive the merely by the query field being transformed would increases computer efficiency as argued. Claims 19 and 36-40 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because they depend from rejected claim 33 and is directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 22-23, 34-35, and 41-49 are allowed.

Conclusion

5. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

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Shell et al. disclose a system and method for over the air configuration security.

Nyholm discloses troubleshooting method and apparatus.

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Shick C. Hom whose telephone number is 571-272-3173. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Seema Rao can be reached on 571-272-3174. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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